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New EDMs

1425 **Hull Kingston Rovers and their 2025 Challenge Cup Final victory**

Tabled: **10/06/25** Signatories: **1**

Karl Turner

That this House extends its warmest congratulations to Hull Kingston Rovers on their outstanding performance in winning the Challenge Cup Final this year; celebrates a momentous achievement in rugby league, Hull KR having made East Hull and the broader rugby league community incredibly proud with their exceptional skill, determination, and sportsmanship throughout the tournament; commends the dedicated efforts of the owner, Neil Hudgell, chairman, Paul Sewell and the entire board, who have provided unwavering support and strategic direction to propel the team towards this great success; further commends the head coach, Willie Peters, whose leadership has been instrumental in the team's journey; congratulates the team captain, Elliot Minchella, and all the players who are applauded for their commitment, teamwork, and relentless pursuit of excellence on the field; and acknowledges the passionate support of the East Hull community and all fans who have been a backbone of encouragement and enthusiasm for Hull Kingston Rovers.

1426 Restoration of St Andrew's church bells in Compton DuntonTabled: **10/06/25** Signatories: **1****Sarah Dyke**

That this House notes the successful restoration of the historic church bells at St Andrew's Church in Compton Dunton, originally silenced in 1935 after their mechanism fell into disrepair; recognises the cultural and historic significance of the oldest bell dating from 1630, and their role in marking community life across centuries; understands that the bells were hung dead, in a fixed position facing down for nearly 90 years, only capable of being struck by hammer until a six-year local campaign raised £160,000 to restore them; commends the efforts of villagers who secured funding through grants and sponsored events; further notes the reintroduction of five original bells alongside others sourced from former churches in Lancashire and Sussex, with a seventh adapted as a clock chime; and celebrates this as a remarkable act of local heritage restoration.

1427 King Richard III Visitor CentreTabled: **10/06/25** Signatories: **1****Shockat Adam**

That this House congratulates the King Richard III Visitor Centre in Leicester South constituency on being awarded the prestigious Silver Award for Excellence; recognises the Centre's outstanding contribution to heritage, education and tourism through its exhibits on the discovery, life, death and reburial of King Richard III; and wishes the Centre continued success in welcoming visitors from across the UK and around the world.

1428 40th anniversary of Scottish Action for Mental Health's Redhall Walled Garden as a centre for therapeutic horticultureTabled: **10/06/25** Signatories: **1****Dr Scott Arthur**

That this House congratulates SAMH (Scottish Action for Mental Health) on the 40th anniversary of Redhall Walled Garden in Edinburgh; recognises the Garden's outstanding contribution as a centre for therapeutic horticulture since its establishment in 1985; commends the vital role it plays in supporting people experiencing mental health challenges through structured horticultural activities, skills development, and community engagement; acknowledges the transformative impact the Garden has had on the lives of countless people by fostering wellbeing, confidence, and employability; expresses concern about current threats to the service's funding; and looks forward to it continuing its invaluable mental health service for generations to come.

1429 Rachel Corsie's careerTabled: **10/06/25** Signatories: **1****Kirsty Blackman**

That this House recognises the outstanding career of Aberdeen-born Rachel Corsie, who has over 150 caps for Scotland and has captained the team since 2017; and further recognises that Corsie's career has inspired countless bairns from Aberdeen and Scotland to get into football and that her legacy will continue to do so.

1430 Men's Health Week 2025Tabled: **10/06/25** Signatories: **1****Sojan Joseph**

That this House acknowledges that Men's Health Week takes place each year in the run up to Father's Day, and in 2025 is between 9 and 15 June; is concerned that currently one man in five dies before the age of 65; is further concerned that four in five suicides are by men, with suicide being the biggest cause of death for men under 35; notes that too many men ignore health issues such as prostate and testicular cancer until it is too late; recognises that Men's Health Week is an important opportunity to raise awareness and break stigmas about physical and mental health issues among men of all ages; and encourages men to prioritise their health, seek preventive care, and engage in conversations about their physical and mental wellbeing.

1431 Aberdeen Science CentreTabled: **10/06/25** Signatories: **1****Stephen Flynn**

That this House congratulates Aberdeen Science Centre on being awarded a £52,000 grant from the ScottishPower Foundation; recognises the work that Aberdeen Science Centre does to support learning in the local community by increasing access to science for people across the board; notes that through the Playlist Power project, Aberdeen Science Centre aims to inspire the next generation and promote sustainability by bringing their Sustainable Superstars Roadshow to 35 local communities across the North East, including at least five events within the top 20% most deprived neighbourhoods in Scotland; welcomes the funding provided by the ScottishPower Foundation which supports local communities through STEM learning, environmental protection, support for people with disabilities and community development; and wishes Aberdeen Science Centre every success moving forward.

1432 Aberdeen's Sustainable Food Places gold awardTabled: **10/06/25** Signatories: **1****Stephen Flynn**

That the House congratulates the City of Aberdeen after being recognised as the latest awardee of the gold Sustainable Food Places award; understands that the Sustainable Food Places awards celebrates the success of those who take a holistic approach to sustainable and healthy food; recognises the cross-sector efforts of partners, stakeholders and communities towards achieving this milestone, including Granite City Good Food and CFINE who host and support the coordination of the project across the city; notes that Aberdeen was first recognised as a sustainable food place in 2018, and has now joined only a handful of places in the UK to have achieved the gold award; and further congratulates all involved in achieving this milestone and making the city of Aberdeen a healthy, affordable and sustainable place to eat.

1433 Impact of EU 90/180 day rule on UK citizensTabled: **10/06/25** Signatories: **2****James MacCleary**
Wendy Chamberlain

That this House is deeply concerned about the damaging impact of the EU's 90-day limit within a 180-day period on British touring artists, professional drivers, and tourists; notes that current rules severely restrict the mobility and economic opportunities of musicians, performers, lorry and coach drivers, and British travellers who depend on working and travelling across Europe for their livelihoods; further notes that with the EU's Entry/Exit System beginning stringent monitoring from October, haulage and coach companies could see revenue reductions of up to 50 per cent, threatening their viability; observes that this situation is unfairly asymmetrical, as EU nationals visiting the UK can stay for up to six months per visit, placing British citizens at a disadvantage; and therefore urges immediate action to negotiate a reciprocal agreement with the EU that ensures fair and equal terms for British lorry drivers, coach drivers, travellers, artists and performers, securing their livelihoods and strengthening mutual benefits for both sides.

1434 Unpaid Care DashboardTabled: **10/06/25** Signatories: **1****Alison Bennett**

That this House commends the second report of the Health and Social Care Committee of Session 2024–25 on Adult Social Care: the Cost of Inaction, published on 5 May 2025; agrees with their conclusion that unpaid carers are bearing the highest cost from successive governments' failures to reform adult social care; further commends the statement by Dr Maria Petrillo of the Centre for Care, University of Sheffield, in oral evidence to the Committee, that the care they provide is worth an estimated £184 billion, which, to contextualise, is equivalent to the combined NHS budget across the four nations; congratulates the Centre for Care, in conjunction

with Carers UK, in launching the Unpaid Care Dashboard, freely available to the public, to help explore patterns and demographics of unpaid care to support policymakers, practitioners, and the public in their efforts to address the needs of the carers; and calls on the UK and Welsh Governments to promote the value of the Unpaid Care Dashboard as part of their strategies to meet the needs of the millions of people who care unpaid for family or friends.

1435 Medical research awarded the St Mungo's Medal

Tabled: **10/06/25** Signatories: **1**

Martin Rhodes

That this House congratulates Dr Sarjit Singh of the University of Glasgow on being awarded the St Mungo's Medal at the annual research symposium held at Glasgow Royal Infirmary; recognises Dr Singh's valuable research into the impact of multiple pre-existing health conditions on pregnancy outcomes in Scotland; notes the importance of this work in improving understanding and care for women and children; and welcomes the role of local academic and clinical collaboration in supporting high-quality medical research.

1436 Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month 2025

Tabled: **10/06/25** Signatories: **1**

Mary Kelly Foy

That this House recognises June as Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month; celebrates the rich and diverse cultures, histories and contributions of Romany Gypsy, Irish Traveller, Roma, New Traveller, Showmen and Liveaboard Boater communities across the UK; acknowledges that since its launch in 2008, Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month has played a vital role in educating the wider public, challenging stereotypes, and promoting understanding and inclusion; further recognises the ongoing barriers faced by these communities, including discrimination, social exclusion and inequality in access to services; and encourages everyone to support and celebrate Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month 2025.

Added Names

Below are EDMs tabled in the last two weeks to which names have been added. Only the first 6 names and any new names are included.

1330 Reinstatement of the Winter Fuel Payment

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **18**

Luke Taylor
Claire Young
Jim Shannon
Helen Maguire
Mr Angus MacDonald
Christine Jardine

Mr Will Forster Ayoub Khan

That this House notes with great concern the significant financial hardship caused by the removal of the Winter Fuel Payment for those already affected by the ongoing cost of living crisis; recognises the vital role this payment plays in supporting vulnerable individuals; urges the Government to reinstate this payment without further delay; and calls on the Government to provide immediate and clear guidance on eligibility criteria to ensure all those entitled to support receive it in a transparent manner.

1331 Libraries Week 2025

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **16**

Sarah Dyke
Adam Dance
Wera Hobhouse
Jim Shannon
Mr Angus MacDonald
Christine Jardine

Mr Will Forster Ayoub Khan

That this House celebrates Libraries Week 2025, taking place from Monday 2 June to Sunday 8 June, as a national campaign recognising the vital role libraries, professional librarians and volunteers play in strengthening communities and driving opportunity; welcomes this year's theme entitled Libraries change lives by sustaining economic growth, which highlights the many ways in which library services across the UK support local economies by empowering jobseekers, supporting entrepreneurs and small businesses, delivering digital skills and literacy training; acknowledges the particular importance of libraries in rural communities where access to services and educational opportunities can be limited; highlights Somerset Council's mobile library service as an important resource for isolated and rural residents, providing a trusted and accessible gateway to books, digital services, and community support; further welcomes the findings of a recent independent review which cited Somerset Libraries

as a national example of excellence; and calls on the Government to ensure continued investment in and the protection of library services as essential infrastructure in tackling digital exclusion, reducing educational inequality, promoting lifelong learning and economic growth across the UK.

1332 25th anniversary of Sermon Audio

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **4**

Mr Gregory Campbell

Jim Shannon

Adam Jogee

Jim Allister

That this House recognises 2025 as the 25th anniversary of Sermonaudio.com, an online platform which began as a small provider of a facility for Christian churches to use to ensure the Gospel message of salvation by faith alone; notes it has now expanded across the globe to the extent that thousands of Churches and Ministries use it with over 400 million sermons and services downloaded; further notes it offers free unlimited access for listeners and viewers; commends the founder, Steve Lee; and expresses the hope that the project will continue in furthering the command of Jesus Christ to go out into all the world and preach the gospel.

1333 Future of rail freight

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **14**

Grahame Morris

Neil Duncan-Jordan

Cat Smith

Ian Lavery

Jim Shannon

Andrew George

Jon Trickett

Ayoub Khan

This House notes with concern that the future of rail freight in Great Britain is uncertain; welcomes ASLEF's Rail Freight Future and Dignity for Drivers campaigns; recognises the importance of Great British Railways in supporting and growing rail freight and providing a strategic direction to the rail freight sector; further notes the existence of publicly-owned rail freight and the opportunity for expansion; and calls on the Government to invest in the infrastructure needed to create capacity for rail freight, level the playing field between road and rail freight, protect freight paths and access on the GBR network, improve facilities for train drivers, and strengthen rail freight growth targets.

1335 Access to Work backlogsTabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **22**

Charlotte Cane
Claire Young
Adam Dance
Wera Hobhouse
Jim Shannon
Mr Angus MacDonald

Mr Will Forster

That this House notes with concern the chronic delays in the Department for Work and Pensions' administration of the Access to Work (AtW) scheme, which is vital in supporting disabled people to enter and remain in employment; further notes that new claims for employed applicants are currently taking around nine months to process, while self-employed applicants are facing delays of up to 14 months; also notes that even existing applicants are experiencing waits of up to seven weeks for payments to be processed; is alarmed that the DWP has increased its target for processing payments from 10 to 20 days due to staff shortages; recognises that many claimants need to submit claims in the final quarter of the year, placing additional strain on an already overstretched system; and is concerned by reports that over 60,000 applications remain unresolved as of early 2025.

1339 Accountability in the water industry and proposals for the reform of OfwatTabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **9**

Clive Lewis
Chris Hinchliff
Jim Shannon
Olivia Blake
Neil Duncan-Jordan
Andrew George

Ayoub Khan

That this House notes with concern the systemic failings of the water industry and its regulators, which have allowed water companies to break the law while forcing customers to pay twice for essential services; further notes that Ofwat's PR24 determination allocated enhanced funding to United Utilities for the Windermere Schemes without ensuring that this money would be used to improve sewerage services, rather than belatedly bring sites into compliance; recognises that this failure reflects wider national issues in the water industry, where investment has been inadequate and permit breaches persist; condemns Ofwat for relying on modelled, rather than real-world, data, allowing water companies to mark their own homework and evade accountability; further notes that Ofwat previously allowed financial extraction by private equity firms, resulting in higher bills and environmental degradation; and calls on the Government to reform Ofwat so that regulatory decisions are based on actual data, introduce a robust

clawback mechanism to prevent unjustified charges, and ensure that water companies, not customers, bear the financial burden of bringing sites into legal compliance

1344 University of Strathclyde recognised as a University of Sanctuary

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **5**

Maureen Burke
Jim Shannon
Christine Jardine
John Grady
Ayoub Khan

That this House congratulates the University of Strathclyde on being awarded University of Sanctuary status by City of Sanctuary UK, in recognition of its long-standing and wide-ranging commitment to supporting refugee and asylum seeker students, staff and academics; notes the university's provision of dedicated scholarships, mentoring, mental health services and academic opportunities for those with forced migrant status; commends its collaborative work with local and national partners, including The Bridges Programmes and the Scottish Refugee Council, to support access to higher education; further recognises the university's efforts to develop trauma-informed teaching practices and its ambitious action plan to embed and share sanctuary principles across its community; and applauds Strathclyde's leadership in fostering an inclusive, compassionate and welcoming environment for all those seeking sanctuary.

1345 Reform of NHS dentistry services

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **35**

Sarah Gibson
Claire Young
Adam Dance
Brian Mathew
Wera Hobhouse
Jim Shannon

Mr Will Forster Ayoub Khan

That this House notes with concern the findings of the Public Accounts Committee's report entitled Fixing NHS Dentistry, which highlights the failure of the Department of Health and Social Care and NHS England's 2024 dental recovery plan to improve access to NHS dental services; is alarmed that only 40% of adults in England were able to see an NHS dentist in the two years to March 2024, a decline from 49% prior to the covid-19 pandemic; recognises that the current dental contract, established in 2006, is unfit for purpose and does not incentivise dental practices to provide sufficient NHS care; acknowledges that initiatives such as the new patient premium and the golden hello recruitment scheme have not achieved their intended outcomes, with the latter resulting in less than 20% of the expected dentist appointments; expresses dissatisfaction that the Government has not committed to a clear timeline for

reforming the NHS dental contract, as evidenced by the response to Written Question 46464 on 28 April 2025, where no specific timeframe was provided; and calls on the Government to work collaboratively with dental professionals, integrated care boards and other stakeholders to design and implement a new dental contract that addresses current shortcomings and promotes the provision of NHS dental services, ensuring equitable access to dental care for all citizens.

1349 Carers Week 2025Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **44**

Alison Bennett
Claire Young
Wendy Chamberlain
Vikki Slade
Caroline Voaden
Rachel Gilmour

Mr Will Forster

David Chadwick

That this House supports Carers Week 2025, taking place from 9 to 15 June; recognises this year's theme is entitled Caring about equality; emphasises that millions of unpaid carers looking after family members and friends often face significant challenges and inequalities in their daily lives; asks the Government to address the significant inequalities faced by unpaid carers and commit to ensuring that carers receive the support they need and deserve; and endeavours to build a society that treats all carers equitably.

1351 Support for families affected by childhood cancerTabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **8**

Carla Lockhart
Jim Shannon
Andrew George
Shockat Adam
Colum Eastwood
Richard Burgon

Alex Easton

That this House recognises the unimaginable pain experienced by families receiving a childhood cancer diagnosis; pays heartfelt tribute to David and Sara Watson, who, following the devastating loss of their much loved son Adam, have channelled their grief into tireless campaigning to support other families on this harrowing journey; notes with deep concern the current delay of up to three months in accessing Child Disability Living Allowance (DLA) following a cancer diagnosis, despite the immediate and overwhelming needs of the child and their family; supports the call for urgent legislative reform through Adam's Law, which would ensure automatic and immediate access to Child DLA upon diagnosis of childhood cancer;

commends the work of the charity B Positive in advocating for improved wraparound support services; and urges the Government to act without delay to deliver compassionate, timely, and effective support to families facing the trauma of childhood cancer.

1364 **Reform of monetary limits on charity lotteries**

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **22**

Wendy Chamberlain

Jim Shannon

Mr Angus MacDonald

Tom Gordon

Ben Maguire

Olly Glover

Mr Will Forster

Llinos Medi

Ben Lake

Ann Davies

Liz Saville Roberts

That this House acknowledges the role played by Britain's charity lottery sector in providing some £450 million in vital funds for good causes each year at no cost to the Government; recognises the unique nature of charity lottery fundraising, which is centred on long-term, unrestricted giving; acknowledges such a model complements the overwhelmingly project-based funding offer from the National Lottery's distribution bodies; notes the charity lottery sector continues to call for removal of the £50 million annual limit on their sales and that such lotteries are the only gambling or fundraising product subject to such a cap, despite their low risk, charitable nature; understands that analysis by Britain's biggest charity lottery fundraiser, People's Postcode Lottery, projects that removing the annual sales limit and accompanying reforms could free up £175 million in funding for supported charities impacted by the cap; and urges the Government to use its forthcoming update on the sector to announce meaningful reform of the needless and outdated monetary limits placed upon charity lotteries so that they can raise even more for good causes across Britain.

1366 **Brain tumour diagnosis**

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **22**

Clive Jones [R]

Claire Young

Adam Dance

Wera Hobhouse

Jim Shannon

Lisa Smart

Mr Will Forster

Ayoub Khan

That this House recognises the urgent need to improve diagnostic pathways for brain tumours, the largest cancer killer of the under 40s; notes with concern the findings of The Brain Tumour Charity's April 2025 report entitled Exploring GP Access to Imaging in England,

which highlights significant delays in diagnosis, with 45% of patients in England diagnosed via emergency presentation and 41% of brain tumour patients seeing a GP three or more times before diagnosis; expresses alarm at the widespread lack of awareness among GPs of NHS England's 2023 direct access imaging guidance and the postcode lottery in access to MRI and CT head scans; further notes the lack of clear referral pathways and radiology capacity as key barriers to effective use of direct access; urges the Government to respond to the report's seven key recommendations, including universal commissioning of direct access imaging, creation of full diagnostic pathways, and the development of a National Brain Tumour Strategy; and calls on the Government to urgently work with integrated care boards to consider these recommendations and improve outcomes for patients facing this devastating disease.

1371 **Wastewater Infrastructure and Environmental Protection in Planning Applications**

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **17**

Victoria Collins

Adam Dance

Wera Hobhouse

Jim Shannon

Helen Maguire

Mr Angus MacDonald

Mr Will Forster

That this House expresses concern about the potential impact of new developments on local water and drainage systems, particularly in areas with chalk streams, Sites of Special Scientific Interest and other protected habitats; notes that water companies often claim a site holds sufficient capacity despite local systems being under strain and environmental standards at risk; believes the current assessment process for wastewater capacity in planning applications lacks rigor and fails to account for long-term environmental costs; is disappointed that the Government's Planning and Infrastructure Bill fails to address this; urges the Government to include provision for sustainable drainage in future developments in the Bill by implementing Schedule 3 of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010; calls on the Government to require water companies to provide independent infrastructure capacity assessments that consider local environmental pressures; further urges the Ministry of Housing, Local Government and Communities to grant local authorities greater powers to commission independent assessments; and further calls for all new developments to align with the UK's clean river objectives and protection of vulnerable habitats.

1372 Long covid in children and young peopleTabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **19**

Victoria Collins
Claire Young
Adam Dance
Dr Danny Chambers
Jim Shannon
Helen Maguire

Mr Will Forster

That this House notes with concern the significant impact of long covid on children and young people across the UK, with thousands experiencing prolonged symptoms following covid-19 infection; regrets the serious consequences for children's health, education, and family wellbeing; further notes the strain on schools and healthcare services; recognises the need for more research into long covid in children; calls on the Government to work with relevant organisations to ensure affected children receive proper recognition, care, and support; and further calls on the Government to create a register for those suffering from long covid alongside establishing care pathways to ensure that all practitioners have the guidance to treat long-term covid-19 patients effectively.

1381 Volunteers Week 2025Tabled: **3/06/25** Signatories: **19**

Dr Roz Savage
Jess Brown-Fuller
Ian Roome
Adam Dance
Wera Hobhouse
Jim Shannon

Ayoub Khan

That this House supports Volunteers Week 2025; celebrates the extraordinary work that volunteers, charities, and grassroots organisations do to support their local communities; notes the work of volunteer-supported organisations across the South Cotswolds, including Cirencester Stroke Club, Tetbury Men's Shed, The Big Yellow Bus Project, Food for Thought, The Churn Project, Cirencester Hospital and Relay for Life, among countless others; thanks the volunteers who give up their time to support the health, wellbeing, and livelihoods of their fellow residents; and encourages the Government to do everything it can to ensure this vital work can continue.

1384 Dylan WoodTabled: **3/06/25** Signatories: **6****Brian Leishman****Jim Shannon****Apsana Begum****Ian Lavery****Neil Duncan-Jordan****Ayoub Khan**

That this House congratulates Dylan Wood, a talented theatre actor from Tillicoultry in the Wee County, on his outstanding performance as Orpheus in the West End production of Hadestown; celebrates his continued success in the role into 2026 following a widely praised and accomplished run; recognises the inspiring journey Dylan has taken from his first stage appearance at Alloa Town Hall to the bright lights of London's West End; applauds his dedication to the arts and his commitment to his craft; expresses pride that a young man from Clackmannanshire is showcasing Scottish talent on the national stage; and hopes that his story will inspire young people from Tillicoultry and across the Wee County to pursue their creative dreams.

1386 Climate Finance Fund (Fossil Fuels and Pollution) BillTabled: **3/06/25** Signatories: **34****Richard Burgon****Nadia Whittome****Dr Simon Opher****Olivia Blake****Neil Duncan-Jordan****Clive Lewis****Ayoub Khan**

That this House welcomes the contribution made by the Climate Finance Fund (Fossil Fuels and Pollution) Bill, published on 15 May 2025, to the debate on how to fund the urgent action needed to address climate change; welcomes the Bill's emphasis on the 'polluter pays' principle that fossil fuel giants and other large-scale polluters most responsible for driving climate change should bear the greatest cost of climate action; further welcomes the Bill's additional principle that climate finance should be both raised and spent fairly, recognising this as a matter of social justice; notes recent polling showing the vast majority of voters support making large-scale polluters pay for the cost of climate action; further notes the Bill's proposals for the establishment of a Climate Finance Fund, funded through the introduction of new levies on oil and gas giants, the redirection of subsidies away from fossil fuels and towards climate action, and the imposition of levies on luxury travel, including on private jets and super-yachts; welcomes the Bill's view that such a Fund could be used to increase investment in good-quality jobs in the green economy, renewable energy, home insulation, public transport, in making communities more resilient to flooding and other climate damage, and on increasing the UK's financial contribution to the Fund for Responding to Loss and Damage; encourages all Members

of this House to read the Bill and engage seriously with its proposals in the interest of funding the urgent climate action required.

1389 **Clean Air Day 2025**

Tabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **9**

Liz Saville Roberts

Apsana Begum

Richard Burgon

Ben Lake

Ann Davies

Llinos Medi

Jon Trickett

Ayoub Khan

That this House celebrates Clean Air Day on 19 June, which is coordinated by Global Action Plan to bring together communities, businesses, education and the health sector to improve public understanding of air pollution, build awareness of how air pollution affects our health and explain some of the easy things we can all do to tackle air pollution to help protect our health and the environment; notes that air pollution is associated with between 29,000 and 43,000 deaths a year in the UK; further notes that the World Health Organization, the UK Government and the Welsh Government recognise that air pollution is one of the largest environmental threats to our health; commends those taking part in Clean Air Day by committing to healthy travel charters and tree planting projects; and calls on the UK and devolved governments to take decisive action to reduce the levels of toxic air pollution on our roads by advocating for cleaner transport options.

1390 **90th anniversary of Cheltenham Lido**

Tabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **6**

Max Wilkinson

Mr Joshua Reynolds

Jim Shannon

Clive Jones

Mr Angus MacDonald

Sarah Dyke

That this House celebrates Cheltenham Lido's 90th birthday; acknowledges the important role that the lido plays in Cheltenham's community; notes the historical importance of the lido as a Grade II listed building; further notes the success of Cheltenham Lido's sustainability project, which is reducing carbon emissions while providing financial sustainability for the pool; and calls on the Government to work with local authorities and communities like Cheltenham to secure the long-term financial and environmental sustainability of outdoor swimming pools.

1391 Dental provision in the North WestTabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **7**

Lisa Smart
Wera Hobhouse
Jim Shannon
Clive Jones
Mr Angus MacDonald
Tom Morrison

Sarah Dyke

That this House expresses deep concern over the shortage of NHS dental services in the North West of England; is alarmed that parents are frequently advised to seek private dental care for their children simply to access routine check-ups; notes with particular concern that more than 100,000 children aged six to ten have been admitted to hospital with decaying teeth since 2018; believes this situation is depriving children of essential early dental care; supports the introduction of supervised toothbrushing schemes in nurseries and schools; further believes that VAT should be removed from children's toothbrushes and toothpaste to make oral hygiene more affordable for families; and urges the new Government to collaborate with primary care bodies to end the emergence of dental deserts, particularly in the North West, by reforming the broken NHS dental contract, incentivising dentists to return from the private sector, and using flexible commissioning to ensure patients can access NHS dental services when needed.

1392 Madleen Freedom Flotilla ShipTabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **59**

Rachael Maskell
Brendan O'Hara
Iqbal Mohamed
Ms Diane Abbott
Shockat Adam
Claire Hanna

Ian Roome	Jess Brown-Fuller	James MacCleary
Tom Gordon	Sarah Dyke	Dr Danny Chambers
Adam Dance	Chris Coghlan	Layla Moran
Susan Murray	Pippa Heylings	Richard Foord
Jamie Stone	Charlotte Cane	Brian Leishman

That this House stands in solidarity with the crew of 12, including climate activist Greta Thunberg, of the Madleen Freedom Flotilla Ship bound for the Gaza Strip, attempting to break Israel's siege of Gaza to deliver vital aid including essential medical supplies, food and children's aid; supports the statement by UN experts that the people of Gaza have the right to receive aid through their own territorial waters even under occupation, and that the Coalition ship has the right to free passage in international waters to reach the people of Gaza; agrees that Israel must not interfere with its freedom of navigation, long recognised

under international law and must adhere to international law and comply with orders from the International Court of Justice to ensure unimpeded access for humanitarian aid; notes that malnutrition cases in the region have skyrocketed, UNICEF have stated that currently 14,000 children are suffering from acute malnutrition, elderly Palestinians as well as children are dying of starvation due to prolonged food shortages and a lack of access to medical aid, further notes that the entire 2.1 million population of Gaza is at risk of famine if the blockade is not lifted urgently; and notes that member states including the UK have a legal obligation and moral imperative to stop the starvation in Gaza.

1393 National Carers Week 2025 and the Women in the North report

Tabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **27**

Mary Kelly Foy
Emma Lewell
John McDonnell
Kim Johnson
Jim Shannon
Grahame Morris

Jeremy Corbyn

Neil Duncan-Jordan

That this House notes that 9 to 15 June 2025 marks Carers Week; recognises the vital contribution made by unpaid carers across the UK; acknowledges the theme for this year's Carers Week, Caring About Equality, which highlights the inequalities many carers face; further notes the findings of the Women in the North report by Health Equity North, which found that women in the North of England are more likely to be unpaid carers, live in poverty, and have fewer qualifications than women elsewhere in the country; expresses concern at the disproportionate impact this has on health, wellbeing, and life opportunities; and calls on the Government to take urgent steps to address regional inequalities and to provide greater recognition, resources, and support for unpaid carers, particularly women in the North.

1394 Non-stun slaughter ban

Tabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **5**

Rupert Lowe
Bradley Thomas
Andrew Rosindell
Sammy Wilson
Alex Easton

That this House expresses concern over the continued allowance of non-stun animal slaughter in the United Kingdom, particularly in relation to its widespread use in halal meat production; recognises the substantial body of veterinary evidence indicating that pre-stunning significantly reduces animal suffering at the point of slaughter; notes polling which consistently shows strong public support for mandatory stunning of animals before slaughter; regrets that current

religious exemptions permit practices that fall below the UK's stated animal welfare standards; and therefore calls on the Government to urgently review the legislative framework around non-stun slaughter, consider restricting or banning the practice, and introduce mandatory, clear labelling of meat products by method of slaughter so that consumers can make informed choices.

1396 Scottish Opera wins Classical:NEXT Innovation Award

Tabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **7**

Martin Rhodes
Jim Shannon
Richard Baker
Maureen Burke
Seamus Logan
Patricia Ferguson

Christine Jardine

That this House congratulates Scottish Opera on being awarded the prestigious worldwide Classical: NEXT Innovation Award for its pioneering health and arts initiative, Breath Cycle; notes that the project, the first of its kind, which began in 2013, now supports people living with a range of respiratory conditions, including long covid; further notes that Breath Cycle has engaged nearly 2,500 participants across Scotland, the wider UK and Europe; recognises the reported benefits to participants' mental and physical health, energy levels and confidence; and celebrates the recognition of Breath Cycle as a ground-breaking project that is shaping the future of classical music through bold, thoughtful and effective innovation in practice.

1397 Funding for Ely and Haughley Rail junction upgrades

Tabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **8**

Charlotte Cane
Jim Shannon
Adam Dance
Clive Jones
Mr Angus MacDonald
Ian Sollom

Sarah Dyke

That this House recognises the critical role of the Ely and Haughley rail junctions in supporting national economic growth, regional development, and the transition to greener transport; notes that these long-overdue infrastructure upgrades have been in planning for decades and are now essential to unlocking capacity for both freight and passenger services across the East of England and beyond; further notes that the Ely Area capacity enhancements and Haughley junction upgrade would enable 2,900 additional freight services annually from the Port of Felixstowe, reduce road congestion by removing 98,000 HGV journeys, stimulating 277,000

extra rail passenger journeys per year, it would also reduce carbon emissions by 1.7m tonnes of CO₂ over 60 years and it will reduce congestion by 5.6 million hours per year; highlights that the schemes would generate a return of £4.89 for every £1 invested, with an additional £60 million in wider economic benefits already identified; acknowledges the alignment of these projects with private sector investment; and therefore urges the Government to allocate funding to enable Network Rail to proceed with detailed planning and delivery of these essential infrastructure improvements, thereby supporting regional growth, decarbonisation, and national connectivity.

1398 **Mauritius Treaty**

Tabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **91**

Mrs Kemi Badenoch
Nigel Farage
Jim Allister
Priti Patel
Richard Tice
James Cartlidge

Robert Jenrick

That the Agreement, done at London and Port Louis on 22 May 2025, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Mauritius concerning the Chagos Archipelago including Diego Garcia, should not be ratified.

1399 **PA Media Ltd parliamentary newswire coverage**

Tabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **11**

Rebecca Long Bailey
Kim Johnson
Grahame Morris
Apsana Begum
Neil Duncan-Jordan
Liz Saville Roberts

Ayoub Khan

That this House notes with concern the proposals by PA Media Ltd, trading name of the Press Association, to cut posts and merge the previously separate teams responsible for monitoring the House of Commons and House of Lords for the purposes of providing a newswire service to journalists, and reduce the number of dedicated political journalists covering Holyrood; further notes that the separation of these remits has allowed staff to ensure that updates on the organisation's Newswire service are accurate, trusted and hugely valued by outlets who need not rely on Hansard uploads, which are not available immediately after debates; fears the merger of this work will lead to less detailed coverage of events in both Houses and little to no coverage of activity in one House if journalists are directed to focus resources differently;

notes that the proposals have been strongly condemned by the National Union of Journalists as a threat to public interest journalism on democratic activity by elected officials, with the public's ability to scrutinise parliamentarians negatively impacted if reporting on parliamentary activity is curtailed; and calls on PA Media Ltd to pause the implementation of these proposals and cuts to others in the Content team pending further meaningful discussions with the union and parliamentarians from across the two Houses and thorough consideration of alternative proposals.

1401 Scottish Rugby and the British and Irish Lions

Tabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **11**

Christine Jardine [R]
Wendy Chamberlain
Susan Murray
Helen Maguire
Jim Shannon
Adam Jogee

Sarah Dyke

That this House congratulates Pierre Schoeman and Duhan van der Merwe of Edinburgh Rugby on their selection for the British and Irish Lions squad ahead of their tour to Australia; also congratulates Scott Cummings, Zander Fagerson, Huw Jones, Blair Kinghorn, Finn Russell and Sione Tuipulotu from the Scottish Men's national team on their selection; commends the six players making their debut for the Lions on this tour; further commends the coaching staff, medical staff and physiotherapists, and the teams at Scottish Rugby and Edinburgh Rugby on their commitment, skill and dedication to the sport that has led to eight Scots in the squad; notes their first match will be a friendly against Argentina in Dublin on 20 June; and wishes them and the whole squad the best of luck ahead of their tour.

1402 100th anniversary of the Junior Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland

Tabled: **5/06/25** Signatories: **4**

Carla Lockhart
Mr Gregory Campbell
Jim Allister
Alex Easton [R]

That this House congratulates the Junior Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland on its 100th anniversary, marking a century since its formation in 1925; recognises the valuable role the organisation has played in fostering a sense of community, faith, and civic responsibility among young people; commends the Junior Lodge for promoting the principles of Orangeism through education, fellowship, and service over the past hundred years; notes the significance of the Centenary Parade to be held in Lisburn, County Antrim on Saturday 31 May 2025, which will bring together Junior Lodges from across the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland;

welcomes the planned celebrations, including the participation of the Junior Orange Women's Association and the showcasing of cultural and historical traditions; and wishes all participants a safe, successful and memorable day of celebration.

1403 246th running of the Epsom Derby

Tabled: **5/06/25** Signatories: **6**

Helen Maguire
Martin Wrigley
Mr Will Forster
Mr Angus MacDonald
Sarah Dyke
Jim Shannon

That this House celebrates the 246th running of the Epsom Derby, taking place on 6 and 7 June 2025; notes that the first Derby was held on 4 May 1780 and that it has since become a cornerstone of British horse racing and a significant cultural tradition; recognises the enduring legacy of the Derby not only as a sporting institution but also as a major economic contributor, providing seasonal boosts to the local economy of Epsom and surrounding towns through increased revenue for local businesses and a rise in tourism and hospitality; acknowledges the Derby's unique place in social history, particularly the actions of suffragette Emily Wilding Davison, who lost her life protesting for women's rights at the 1913 race, marking a pivotal moment in the struggle for gender equality; and commends all those involved in preserving and promoting this historic event for future generations.

1404 200th Oriam Parkrun

Tabled: **5/06/25** Signatories: **2**

Dr Scott Arthur [R]
Jim Shannon

That this House warmly congratulates the organisers, volunteers, and participants of the Oriam Parkrun on reaching its 200th event; recognises that this significant milestone reflects a strong collaborative partnership between Oriam, Scotland's Sports Performance Centre, Heriot-Watt University, the local community, and Parkrun; acknowledges the vital role Oriam Parkrun plays in promoting physical and mental wellbeing through its free, inclusive, and community-led weekly 5k events, staying true to the ethos: Free, Forever, For Everyone;

notes with appreciation that over 32,000 course completions have been amassed by more than 9,000 runners and walkers, made possible by the dedication of nearly 700 volunteers;

commends the Oriam Parkrun team for creating a welcoming and supportive environment for participants and volunteers of all ages and abilities; thanks the Heriot-Watt University Estates team for their continued efforts in maintaining the course; extends gratitude to the Oriam coffee cart and the Student Union for providing post-event refreshments; celebrates the positive and

far-reaching impact the event has had on the local community in Edinburgh and beyond; and wishes Oriam Parkrun continued success and growth in the years to come.

1405 **Surrey Search and Rescue**

Tabled: **5/06/25** Signatories: **15**

Zöe Franklin
Helen Maguire
Wendy Chamberlain
Martin Wrigley
Wera Hobhouse
Mr Will Forster

Sarah Dyke
Dr Al Pinkerton

Liz Jarvis
Chris Coghlan

Jim Shannon
Monica Harding

That this House recognises Surrey Search and Rescue for their invaluable voluntary work in assisting the emergency services to find missing vulnerable adults and children; acknowledges their 24/7 commitment to supporting those in need; commends their team of over 80 people and search dogs for their tireless efforts to keep people safe, especially those with dementia and those at risk of suicide; further recognises their unsung role in bridging the gap between emergency services and vulnerable people; highlights the unseen but essential work of search and rescue organisations nationwide; and calls on the Government to further enable these organisations to continue their vital efforts.

1406 **Proposed sale of Spirit AeroSystems and jobs in Northern Ireland**

Tabled: **5/06/25** Signatories: **5**

Alex Easton
Colum Eastwood
Jim Allister
Sammy Wilson
Jim Shannon

That this House notes with deep concern the proposed sale of Spirit AeroSystems, a key employer in Northern Ireland and an integral part of the UK aerospace supply chain; recognises the strategic importance of Spirit's operations to major industry partners including Boeing, Airbus, and Bombardier; acknowledges the vital contribution of the workforce, represented by GMB and Unite the Union, in maintaining high-skilled manufacturing in the region; is alarmed by the potential loss of over 3,700 jobs and the wider economic impact across Northern Ireland; believes that the company should be kept together as a single, unified entity in order to maintain its operational integrity and safeguard the future of the UK aerospace sector; further notes the precedent of Government intervention in cases such as British Steel to protect strategically important industries; and calls on the Government to urgently convene a meeting

with all relevant stakeholders and to explore all available options to ensure the continued viability of Spirit AeroSystems in the UK and the protection of all associated jobs.

1407 **World Elder Abuse Awareness Day**

Tabled: **5/06/25** Signatories: **9**

Rachael Maskell
Jo White
Apsana Begum
Richard Burgon
Neil Duncan-Jordan
Ian Lavery

Jim Shannon Ayoub Khan

That this House notes that 15 June 2025 marks World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD), an international occasion to highlight the abuse, neglect and exploitation experienced by older people; recognises the vital work of Hourglass, the only UK-wide charity dedicated to ending the abuse of older people, in supporting victim-survivors and raising awareness across communities; supports calls for more open, inclusive, and sustained dialogue about the abuse of older people to challenge stigma, support victim-survivors, and prevent future harm; further notes with concern that every year over 2.5 million people are affected by abuse, yet underreporting and public silence remain persistent barriers to action; calls on the Government to consult on a dedicated strategy to end violence and abuse against older people; and further calls on hon. Members to support WEEAD, amplify its message, and work towards a Safer Ageing Society where every older person is respected, heard, and protected.

1408 **Holm coffee shop**

Tabled: **5/06/25** Signatories: **4**

Cat Smith
Richard Burgon
Jim Shannon
Ayoub Khan

That this House congratulates Holm coffee shop in Lancaster on serving its Nordic style coffee in the city centre for five years; notes that opening up just weeks before the first lockdown was not a easy start for a small local business; further notes that despite a challenging start the favourite of coffee and cake lovers in Lancaster city centre mean it has grown from strength to strength, recently expanding premises and collaborating with other small businesses in Lancaster; and wishes Josh Cannings and his team all the very best for the future.

1409 Chinese EmbassyTabled: **5/06/25** Signatories: **41**

Calum Miller
Helen Maguire
James MacCleary
Dr Danny Chambers
Wendy Chamberlain
Vikki Slade

Tessa Munt
Jim Shannon
David Chadwick

Sarah Dyke
Helen Morgan
Christine Jardine

Liz Jarvis
Jim Allister

That this House expresses deep concern about the proposed construction of a Chinese mega-Embassy in London; notes with alarm the potential national security risks which would result from the proposed Embassy, including an increased capacity for surveillance by the Chinese Communist Party; acknowledges the grave concerns raised by pro-democracy Chinese and Hong Kong activists about the proposals for a mega-Embassy; calls on the Government to ensure that there is the right to peacefully and safely protest outside the proposed site of the Embassy; further calls on the Government to include all Chinese officials, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region officials and Chinese Communist Party-linked organisations on the enhanced tier of the Foreign Influence Registration Scheme; also calls on the Government to urgently publish its promised UK-China Audit, outlining the threats posed to the UK's values and interests by the Chinese Communist Party; and calls on the Government formally to block the construction of the new mega-Embassy.

1410 Lionesses and Welsh women's national team at the UEFA Women's European Championship in SwitzerlandTabled: **5/06/25** Signatories: **14**

Chris Bloore
Apsana Begum
Tom Morrison
Daniel Francis
Claire Young
Wera Hobhouse

Cat Eccles
Jim Shannon

Tom Hayes
Jodie Gosling

Ben Maguire
Tonia Antoniazzi

That this House offers its full support to both the England and Wales women's national football teams as they prepare to compete in the UEFA Women's European Championship, beginning on 2 July 2025 in Switzerland; acknowledges the England team, led by manager Sarina Wiegman, as the defending champions; celebrates the historic achievement of the Wales women's team, under the leadership of manager Rhian Wilkinson, in qualifying for their first ever UEFA Women's European Championship; recognises the continued growth and success of women's football in

the UK and the inspiration it brings to fans of all ages; and wishes both squads the very best of luck for a successful and competitive tournament.

1411 **Human rights in Saudi Arabia**

Tabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **3**

Ellie Chowns

Jim Shannon

Neil Duncan-Jordan

That this House remains concerned about human rights violations in Saudi Arabia; welcomes the recent release of dozens of political prisoners, including University of Leeds PhD student Salma al-Shehab, human rights defender Mohammed al-Qahtani, and doctor Lina Alsharif; notes, however, that released individuals face continued restrictions, including travel bans; further notes that others remain arbitrarily imprisoned for peaceful dissent, such as Manahel al-Otaibi; is alarmed by the record number of death penalty executions, with 345 in 2024 and over 140 in 2025 so far, with a number of persons who committed their alleged crimes as minors facing execution; is concerned about labour exploitation and potential deaths of workers in connection with the 2034 FIFA World Cup and other mega-projects in the absence of fundamental labour rights reform; calls on the UK Government to urge Saudi Arabia to release all those imprisoned for defending or exercising their rights and to establish a moratorium on use of the death penalty; and further calls on the Government to actively raise such rights issues and cases of concern, including in connection with on-going discussions with Gulf Cooperation Council states on a Free Trade Agreement.

1412 **Wheelchair-accessible taxis**

Tabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **6**

Cameron Thomas

Sarah Dyke

Liz Jarvis

Jim Shannon

Helen Maguire

Christine Jardine

That this House notes with concern the lack of wheelchair-accessible taxis in rural areas, particularly in Tewkesbury constituency and the wider Gloucestershire region; acknowledges that this shortage makes it difficult for elderly and disabled residents to travel to medical appointments, social engagements, and places of work; recognises that while hospital patient transport services provide a valuable means of accessing hospital appointments, they do not cover other essential medical visits, such as NHS dental appointments; believes that urgent action is required to improve access to wheelchair-accessible taxis for those living in isolated areas; and further recognises that although the licensing of taxis and private hire vehicles is the responsibility of local licensing authorities (LLAs), the Government should strengthen

regulations to ensure that LLAs maintain inclusive service plans, enabling all residents to travel easily, confidently, and with dignity.

1413 Hong Kong nationals in the UK

Tabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **8**

Claire Young
Sarah Dyke
Liz Jarvis
Jim Shannon
Helen Maguire
Tom Gordon

Ayoub Khan Christine Jardine

That this House recognises the increasing pressures faced by Hong Kong nationals living in the United Kingdom, particularly those who have arrived under the British National (Overseas) visa route; notes with concern the reports of intimidation, surveillance, and community tensions exacerbated by actions of the Chinese state; acknowledges the vital contributions of the Hong Kong community to the UK's social, cultural, and economic life; further notes that Hong Kongers who have been welcomed to the United Kingdom and chosen to make it their home should not have to pay international university fees; and urges the Government to ensure robust protection of civil liberties, expand integration support services, and ensure the community is supported to live safely on our shores.

1414 Elgin City Women's FC unbeaten season and promotion

Tabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **2**

Graham Leadbitter
Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Elgin City Women's FC on their remarkable unbeaten season in the Scottish Women's Football League North, culminating in their successful promotion following their victory over Dunfermline Athletic in the Scottish Women's Football League 1 play-off; notes that this incredible achievement took place just two years after the formation of the team; and wishes the entire squad the best of luck going into the 2025-26 season in a new division.

1415 Experiences of women athletes at the Leander Rowing ClubTabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **5**

Clive Jones
Sarah Dyke
Jim Shannon
Helen Maguire
Freddie van Mierlo

That this House notes with concern reports that women athletes at the Leander Club have felt that they cannot safely train alongside their male teammates due to the Club's handling of allegations of sexual assault and harassment made against male athletes; further notes that the Leander Club is a prestigious organisation which has a responsibility to set a positive example; expresses particular concern that in October 2023 athletes had to express that they were deeply uncomfortable that a teammate against whom serious allegations were made was permitted to continue using shared facilities alongside women members including his accuser and believe this represents a serious failure in safeguarding; supports the decision of the women members to wear the white ribbon during their dispute about how these complaints were handled, a symbol of protest against male violence against women; calls upon the Leander Club to review its complaints and safeguarding procedures in light of these revelations to ensure that they are adequate and appropriate; calls upon British Rowing to investigate whether these serious allegations were appropriately handled, as well as allegations of a toxic and bullying culture at the Oxford Brookes Rowing Club, and to ensure all rowing clubs are reminded of their responsibilities; notes that male violence against women and girls, including sexual violence, happens in all contexts and social strata within our society; condemns male violence against women and girls wherever and however it occurs; and asks the Government to recommit to working to eradicate male violence against women and girls.

1416 Opening of Pittyvaich Care HomeTabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **4**

Mr Angus MacDonald
Sarah Dyke
Jim Shannon
Jamie Stone

That this House welcomes the opening of Pittyvaich Care Home in Inverness, the first new care home to be built in the city in five years; notes that this £11 million investment by family-run Parklands Care Homes offers 58 high-quality care placements for older people; recognises the importance of this new care home in helping to address the loss of over 200 care beds in the region; further welcomes Parklands' continued investment across the Highlands, including planned expansions at its homes in Tain, Fortrose and Grantown on Spey to help meet growing demand; congratulates Parklands on being named Best for Wellbeing at the national Care Home Awards, reflecting its commitment to high-quality, person-centred care; and wishes

the new team at Pittyvaich every success as they support older people in Inverness to live with dignity, comfort and respect.

1417 **New College Lanarkshire, winner of the Further Education Institution of the Year 2025**

Tabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **2**

Frank McNally
Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates New College Lanarkshire on being named the inaugural winner of the Further Education Institution of the Year at the 2025 Herald Education Awards; recognises the achievements of the whole college community in the awards, including Deputy Principal Ann Baxter and student Chloe Sandilands who claimed the Lifetime Achievement and Outstanding Contribution from a College Student awards respectively; welcomes the College's innovative approaches in the sector to expand opportunities in education, including its Undergraduate School partnership with the University of the West of Scotland, for which it won a Widening Access award; and wishes the College's management, staff, and students the best as they continue to build on their successes in the face of a challenging financial climate for Scotland's colleges.

1418 **Moderatorship of the Very Reverend Dr Shaw James Paterson**

Tabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **2**

Joani Reid
Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates the Very Reverend Dr Shaw James Paterson on his successful term as the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland for the year 2024–25; recognises and commends his ecumenicalism and his lifelong dedication to ministry, particularly his service to the community of Strathaven as minister of Trinity Parish Church since 1991, and leadership in establishing vital community initiatives including memory support groups, school lunchtime clubs, and foodbank outreach; acknowledges his previous service as Presbytery Clerk and as the first Moderator of the Forth Valley and Clydesdale Presbytery; celebrates his international engagement, particularly his visit to Malawi to mark the centenary of the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian, where he led theological seminars, supported educational development at Zomba Theological University, and launched the Moderator's Challenge to provide solar-powered lights for students; and notes that he is a proud Lanarkshire man whose ministry and compassion have had a lasting impact both locally and globally.

1419 Impact of upgrading the energy efficiency of private rented homesTabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **4****Bell Ribeiro-Addy****Jim Shannon****Jon Trickett****Ayoub Khan**

That this House recognises that nearly four million private renters regularly struggle to pay their energy bills, with private renters more likely to experience fuel poverty than any other tenure type and poorly insulated homes costing tenants on average £570 per year, while energy use in UK homes causing an estimated 40% of carbon emissions; believes the Government's ambition of uprating all private rented homes to EPC C or above by 2030 is welcome; but warns that renters will not be sufficiently protected from rent hikes or evictions as a result of their home increasing in value following energy efficiency improvements; further believes the Renters' Rights Bill is a positive first step in addressing the power imbalance between tenants and landlords, but does not offer sufficient protections for renters in the case of retrofitting; is concerned that, without further protections, renters, particularly those on low incomes, will not enjoy the benefits of a warmer home and lower bills; and believes the Government should protect renters from rent increases through classifying grants as an improvement contributed by the tenant, not the landlord, at the First-tier Tribunal rent assessment process and protect renters from eviction through introducing a protected period from eviction after a government grant is used to retrofit a privately rented property.

1420 100th anniversary of Star of Ards Royal Black Preceptory 1160Tabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **2****Jim Shannon****Alex Easton [R]**

That this House celebrates the 100th anniversary of Star of Ards Royal Black Preceptory (RBP) 1160, based in Kircubbin in the constituency of Strangford; notes that the Deputy Imperial Grand Master, Mervyn Kernaghan presented a bible to Gareth McGimpsey, the Master of the RBP; highlights the roots of the RBP dating back to the early 19th century, being known for parades, religious services and community activities; congratulates the RBP and its members for reaching this milestone; and wishes them all the very best for the future.

1421 National leadership and action on vascular and venous diseaseTabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **4**

Jim Shannon
Mr Gregory Campbell
Alex Easton
Ayoub Khan

That this House acknowledges the widespread and often under-recognised burden of vascular and venous diseases, which affect millions of people across the United Kingdom and can lead to devastating outcomes such as stroke, amputation, or premature death if left untreated; notes that conditions such as peripheral arterial disease, deep vein thrombosis, and chronic venous insufficiency not only reduce quality of life but disproportionately impact older adults, people with diabetes, and those in deprived communities; further notes with concern that the annual NHS cost of wound care management was estimated at £8.3 billion in 2018, with £5.6 billion spent on unhealed wounds, many of which are associated with vascular disease; highlights that current inconsistencies in access to timely diagnosis and treatment across regions have worsened post-pandemic, leading to delays and inequitable outcomes; welcomes the work of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Vascular and Venous Disease in championing these issues and drawing attention to systemic gaps in workforce, community services, and diagnostic capacity; and calls on the Department of Health and Social Care to commit to clear national clinical leadership for vascular disease, ensuring consistent, high-quality services across the country, reducing unwarranted variation, and improving outcomes for patients irrespective of geography.

1422 Coling LawleyTabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **3**

Clive Jones
Sarah Dyke
Jim Shannon

That this House pays tribute to Coling Lawley following the sad news of his passing; recognises Coling's distinguished record of public service in the community of Wokingham Borough and especially the town of Woodley, including serving twice as the Mayor of the town and for a time as Leader of Wokingham Borough Council; associates itself with the kind tributes paid to Coling from across the political spectrum in Wokingham demonstrating the immense respect he commanded; celebrates his kind and compassionate role as a pharmacist in his community where he further dedicated himself to helping the local community; notes with admiration the significant legacy he leaves behind in Wokingham Borough and Woodley; and expresses its condolences to Coling's friends and family.

1423 Glenrothes Strollers Ladies Football ClubTabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **2****Richard Baker****Jim Shannon**

That this House congratulates Glenrothes Strollers Ladies Football Club on their promotion to the Scottish Women's League One following their 1-0 play-off victory over Bishopton; commends the team on an outstanding season in which they won the Scottish Women's Football League (SWFL) East league title and were beaten only once in 90 minutes; honours manager Pauline Harley for her leadership throughout the campaign; further congratulates Rachel Fowler on being named Player of the Season and for scoring the decisive penalty to secure promotion; recognises the achievement of Erin Kane and Demi Gear in being shortlisted for the SWFL East Player of the Year award; and looks forward to their continued success next season.

1424 Israel's interception of the British-flagged Madleen boatTabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **45****Richard Burgon****Imran Hussain****Kim Johnson****Nadia Whittome****Zarah Sultana****Apsana Begum**

Cat Eccles

Pete Wishart

Jon Trickett

Ellie Chowns

Mohammad Yasin

Mr Angus MacDonald

That this House expresses alarm at the Israeli military's interception of the UK-flagged civilian vessel Madleen in international waters on 9 June 2025; notes that the vessel was engaged in a peaceful humanitarian mission to Gaza to help break the illegal siege and highlight Israel's use of forced starvation against two million people in Gaza, which is a war crime; further notes that the Madleen was sailing in international waters when it was forcibly intercepted, and that the volunteers on board are protected under international law, making their detention unlawful; believes that as the Madleen is registered under the British flag this places specific responsibilities on the UK Government to safeguard the vessel and those aboard; further believes that Israel has no lawful basis to attack, intercept, or otherwise interfere with the Madleen or any peaceful civilian vessel sailing toward Palestinian waters, and that such interference constitutes a violation of international law; recalls Israel's previous assault on the Mavi Marmara that led to the deaths of nine people and many injuries; also believes that Israel's threats and attacks against humanitarian missions, like the Madleen, carrying essential aid and international human rights defenders, reflect a broader pattern of impunity and disregard for international norms; and calls on the UK Government to uphold its obligation to protect the Madleen and those on board, to secure their immediate release and to act decisively to uphold international law against Israel's repeated violations of it, including its forced starvation of the people of Gaza.